Transportation by rail from Singareni Collieries Company Limited

985. DR. NARREDDY THULASI REDDY : Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the transportation of coal and coal products from Singareni Collieries Company Limited by rail has been decreasing every year;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor; and

(c) what is the tonnes of coal and coal products from Singareni Collieries Company Limited that have been transported by rail during the years 1989-90, 1990-91 and 1991-92?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI S. B, NYAMAGOUDA) : (a) and (b) The total despatches by rail from Singareni Collieries Company Ltd. (SCCL) have marginally decreasel from 108.17 lakh tonnes in 1989-90 to 103.96 lakh tonnes in 1991-92.

The decrease is due to increased despatches of , coal by Merry-Go-Round (MGR) System operated by Ramagundami Thermal Power Station of NTPC which uses its own locomotives and wagons. However SCCL has pointed out that in case MGR mode is also included in Rail mode, the despatches by rail have actually increased from 132 lakh tonnes in 1990-91 to 141.66 lakh tonnes in 1991-92.

(c) Particulars of despatches of coal and coke from SCCL by rail during 1989-90, 1990-91 and 1991-92 are given as under :—

(In tonnes)

	1989-90	1990-91	1991-92
Coke	36,139	1,879	8,200
Coal (By rail)	108,17,000	102,06,000	103,96,000
Coal (By MGR) . . .	31,50,000	29,94,000	37,70,000

नई कोयला नीति

986. श्री राम नरेश यादव : क्या कोयला मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :—

(क) क्या सरकार नई कोयला नीति की घोषणा करने का विचार रखती है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो उसका ब्यौरा क्या है ; और

(ग) उपर्युक्त नीति के संबंध में कितने सुझाव प्राप्त हुए हैं और क्या इन सुझावों पर विचार किए जाने की संभावना है ?

कोयला मंत्रालय में उप मंत्री (श्री एस० बी० नयमेगौड़ा) : (क) से (ग) सरकार ने विद्युत उत्पादन के लिए ग्रहीत उपभोग के प्रयोजन से संभावित क्षेत्रों में कोयला खनन क्रियाकलापों में तथा अन्य अंतिम उपभोग में जो कि अधिसूचित किया जाना है तथा कोयला वाशरियां स्थापित करने के मामले में निजी क्षेत्र की भागीदारी की अनुमति देने का निर्णय लिया है। सरकार के उपर्युक्त निर्णय का कार्यान्वयन करने के लिए कोयला खान (राष्ट्रीयकरण) अधिनियम, 1973 में संशोधन हेतु एक बिल संसद में पेश किया गया है।

Supply of coal to Maharashtra State Electricty Board

987. DR. SHRIKANT RAMCHANDRA JICHKAR: SHRI MOOLCHAND MEENA :

Will the- Minister of COAL be pleased to state :

(a) what is the total quantity and value of coal supplied to the Maharashtra State Electricity Board during the year 1991-92; and

(b) what are the arrears of coal sale pending payments by the Maharashtra State Electricity Boards ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI S. B. NYAMAGOUDA) : The total quantity of coal supplied by Coal India Ltd. to Maha-' rashtra State Electricity Board (MSEB) during the year 1991-92 is 19.18 million